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ST.LUKE'S CHURCH FOR SALE.

THE SOCIETY FORCED TO DISEAND.

ATTENDANCE AT THE METHODIST CHURCH SMALL TO SUPPORT IT.

Episcopal Church, in Forty-first-st., near Sixth-ave., was held last week and it was unanimously decided to sell the present church property. No action was the congregation, either by uniting with some other building a new church. The action practically wound up" and the congregation will disband. The members of the congregation will separate and seek and make such disposition of it in the future as their judgment or circumstances may direct. The trustees of the church at present, several of whom were the John S Sills, of No. 780 Elighth-ave; Abraham Mead,

T is action of the trustees will be heard with surprise by many Methodists, for it has been kept quiet and even the pastor of the church, the Rev. Herbert Welch, has been kept in ignorance of it. Abraham Mead, the president of the Board of Trustees, has the feeling of the trustees that the sale should be effected as quietly as possible and by private sale, as immediate falling-off in the attendance, and might prove a stumbling block to negotiations for uniting with some other congregation. The trustees do not wish to give up possession of their property at once, but are wilking to do so in April.

About a year ago the question of making a radical things in the church was carnestly debated by the congregation, and several plans were seriously dis-cussed. One was to unite this church with St. the Forty-third Street and the Fifty-third Street C urches, so as to form one strong, central church with money sufficient to build a church and several annexed buildings for the furtherance of church and congregations. The St. Paul's society had from \$300,000 to \$400,000 in money; St. Luke's from \$30,000 to \$40,000; the Forty-third Street Church about \$60,000, and the Fifty-third Street Church about \$50,000 which, with the private and public subscriptions such a project would bring out, would make over \$500,000 to start with. Another plan which met some favor was to have these churches, with the exception of St. Paul's, unite and enter upon West Side, near Forty-second st., while another raggestion was one that has long been common with Protestant churches in this city, and that is to move uptown. Although all these and some other plans

A member of the church, in explaining the reasons for the radical step on the part of the trustees of St. Luke's, said to a Tribune reporter:

"The announcement of t is action of the trustees will probably be as great a surprise to the pastor of ben offered for sale in the last few days, no one in the city has and household furniture, not forgetting their as to the public. Aside from the four the city knows anything about it. What were the ate causes leading the trustees to this radical Well, I suppose it's the same old story. Everybody is going uptown. Our congregation has dwin-Gled down until at present we have only from 125 to 150 members. Last spring eighteen families left our congregation and reduced our number by nearly a half, and our membership has been dwindling away since. The action of the trustees could not been longer delayed. Their policy of keeping the matter quiet was simply to make the change with as little harm as possible to the congregation. But the sale of the church could not long have been deof even with the united action of the other Metho-

St. Luke's Church is built on leased land, owned Mrs. Eibridge T. Gerry. In the back yards of block there is a street which at one time was a thoroughfare, but houses have been built all city, so no one can use it for building purents for many years. The ground rent of Luke's Church is \$1,650 a year. lease of twenty-one years, with a privilege of twenty-Eleven years of the first twenty years have passed. The church buildings cost ,000. The trustees already have had two offers of \$30,000 for the property, but have refused them. St. Luke's Church was built in 1866 by a minister of the Methodist Episcopul Church, who was pastor of the Pifty-third-st. church. He dissented from the rulings of the bisiates and formed a society of his own and built this church in 1:63 for his congregation, which worshipped there nearly two years, when the congregation sold the church to the "New England Congregation," also a "split" from an orthodox church,

this one being from the Presbyterians. In 1869 the New-England congregation sold the property to the Methodist Epistopal City Mission and Church Exten-sion Society. At that time there was a susuay-school in Perty-fourth-st., hear Sixth-ave., conducted by Theodore Stout, Several well-known Methodisk lo-terested in this Sunday-school had decided to build a church somewhere by the religible to the property of the convenience of Theodore Stout, several well-known Methodists beterested in this Sanday-school had decided to build a church somewhere in that neighborhood, and in one day raised \$35,600, and secured the property in Ports first st., with an artiage of \$4.00, which all owns soon paid off. For the first eight months the pulpit was supplied by the present likhop Foster and Pivifessor McClintock, both of whom at that time were professors in Drew Theological Sentinary. The church enjoyed a long career of prosperity. It had as its paster for two terms of three years each, the Rev. Dr. Charles S. Harrower, the present pastor of the Central Methodist Episcopal Church in Seventhave, near Fourteenth st., which General Grant attended while living in this city. St. Luke's was fortunate in having dood pastors, and until recent years it was accounted one of the strongest churches of its denomination in New-York City. The church received its mortal blow, however, by the erection of the Madison-ave, and Sixtieth st. Many of St. Luke's best members transferred their membership to the Madison-ave, church including four of the trustees. St. Luke's Church started on the free sent plan. In fact, the organizers of the church expressly stipulated that their subscriptions would be null and void unless the sents were made and kept free as long as the church existed.

MR. GLEASON, MR. GRUBER SALUTES YOU.

HOLD ON TO THE OFFICE OF MAYOR, HE SAYS. AND YOU WILL BE PROMOTED. The following open letter has been sent to Patrick J. Gleason by Abraham Gruber, of this city:

precently voted that another man was entitled to the part political most political or not have been authority for your political misdeeds and office stealing. You see that I want to give you support, but it must come entirely from recent Democratic performances. Why should you be without a job when Gilroy is Mayor of New-York City, Scannell a Fire Commissioner, Koch a Judge and self-convicted ballot-box stuffers are released from jell so that they can help make a United States Senator of the man who placed Cleveland's name in nomination at Chicago? part of the universe! Hold on to the office. Gleason add more political crimes to your already long list, and

of your time. You are a typical Crokerite. You are a politician with business instincts, who devotes all of his time to office. What more can enybody ask! Certainly no protest will come from New-York City.

In our city there is no large amount of decent public tentimen is to political matters. You, Leon Abbett, R. P. Flower and Tammany Hall, or rather Croker Hall, have nearly killed in A year large number of one local content. Flower and Tanmany Hall, or rather Croker It in an enterprise to killed it. A very large number of our leaders in the financial world, our merchants and our financial men are with you. They get receiverships, contracts and reference, and so long as they get their share of the "fat" they will stand where Gleason stands. For the purposes of the action you and they are joint tort feasors, and properly to get the offices under King Gilroy. So says Croker, and he is two kings. Bill Tweed always had a list of politicians who were "business men." He could always
"do business" with them.
You, of course, know Dry Dollar Sullivan. He is going

You, of course, know bry bounds to be chairman of several very important committees at Albany this year. He is a "business man." But he will have partners in his business. Do you see? Our hig politicians have splendid business ability. Their big politicisms have splendid business ability. Their salaries average \$5,000 a year. Out of that they spend \$10,000 and then save \$15,000 besides. Who can inplie

diamonds.

If your people don't like you, come over here. We don't really need you, but perhaps you need the political atmosphere which exists here now. It is just what politicians with business ability like and thrive on. And what's more, it is going to keep up. Everybedy is in Tammany Hall, and Tammany Hall is in everything. Between you and me it is very largely in the elevated rail-road. We have got some funny goings on here just now, and you would enjoy them. Come over. On your way of present political practice, you are a great leader are not alone; you have distinguished company.

Commis forer Shields yesterday dismis of the charge who was accused of making a fraudulent entry of an through Deputy Collector Dudley Phelps that the case against the broker could not be prosecuted, as the law did not entirely cover the facts. It was not certain that the phraseology of the statute could be stretched sufficiently to take in the broker's act.

When the New-York State Art Teachers' Association, which has been holding its first annual meeting at No. 9 University Place, adjourned yesterday, the members returned to their homes feeling that much had been done in the interests of art education. A made for semi-sunual meetings. be held every summer at Saratoga in connection with the State Teachers' Association, and another will take place in the holiday season in New-York or any other A hearing will be had to-morrow, when Fried will \$1,200.

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city chosen by the executive committee. Ye terday | face Louis Wels, the registry clerk, and Theodore P morning there were many interesting discussions upon educational subjects. Miss W. Bertha Hin'z. of the New-York Normal Art School, read a paper upon "Elementary Art Education in the Public Schools," and Miss Elizabeth A. Herrick, of the New-York Callege for York College for the Training of Teachers, spoke York College for the Training of Teachers, spoke of "Decoration as a study in the Public Schools," A. B. Morrill, principal of the Normal School at Willimantic, Cooma, delivered a lecture upon "Manual Training," The pression of the or, as at on is Professor Eugene C. Colby, principal of the Athenacum and Mechanics' Institute at Rochester.

CHARGES OF PETTY THEFT IN STATION B.

Complaint has been made by Philip Fried, a ticket-seller at the station of the elevated road at Twenty third-st. and Third-ave. that two clerks in station B of the postoffice in Grand-st. near Norbolk cheated him out of 5 cents. He declares that ignorant persons of trifling sums. On Thursday Fried said, he went to the station to register a letter to a friend in Gallein. He asked what the postage was, and was told that it was 28 cents. He affixed them to the letter, although he knew that 23 cents was the proper figure. that the clerk pecied off the ten-cent stamp and put a five-cent one in its place. The ten-cent one was torn and had little mucilage on it. He reported the case to Jeremiah Wood, superintendent registry department of the postoffice. Mr. Wood found that the letter bore only 23 cents of postage when it reached the central office. Fried says has heard of several similar thefts of from 1 to 10

Wood instructed Ferdinand Dreyer, superintendent of the station, to look into the complaint. Great clearing sale at reduced prices through-

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Quackenbush, the stamp clerk, who were on duty when Fried malled the letter. Quackenbush de-clares that there were stamps to the value of 28 cents on the letter when it left his hands. THE PRODUCE EXCHANGES STRONG MEASURES. The Board of Managers of the Produce Exchange have approved of the proposed amendment to the

exchange, and it will be submitted to a vote of the members on January 18. The amendment provides that any corporation, joint stock company, firm or be accused of any proceedings inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade, or of violation of in relation to a transaction had through or with any there is an organized effort in the station to rob member of the exchange, shall, on complaint, be whether there is grownd for the complaint. If so representation on the floor, and any member acting for it makes himself hable to censure, suspension or

> SALARIES RAISED AT THE CUSTOM HOUSE. The sclaries of the following employes at the Custom House were raised yesterday: Hiram D. Warner, from \$1,800 to \$2,000; Denton E. Brome, from \$1,600 to \$1,800; Charles P. Maguire, Jesse C Grant and James W. Malhern, from \$1,400 to \$1,600 Baxter, Elichard F. Carr and Robert Black, from \$1,200 to \$1,400; and John F. Hoey, Duane Carshaddan and George J. Gillespie, from \$1,000 to

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